

Human Services Children's Network

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REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE CHILDREN'S POLICY COUNCIL

OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

October 21, 2015

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SUBJECT: THE STATE ANNUAL REPORT FOR CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION, INTERVENTION AND TREATMENT (CAPIT), COMMUNITY-BASED CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION (CBCAP), PROMOTING SAFE AND STABLE FAMILIES AND THE COUNTY CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND (CCTF) FOR 2014/2015

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the Children's Policy Council approve the Annual Report for Child Abuse Prevention, Intervention and Treatment (CAPIT), Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP), Promoting Safe and Stable Families (PSSF) and the County Children's Trust Fund (CCTF) for 2014/2015.

Affected Districts: All

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Children's Policy Council is San Bernardino County's official Child Abuse Prevention Council (CAPC) and has the responsibility in conjunction with the Board of Supervisors (BOS) as the designated agency for PSSF and CAPIT administration, of overseeing implementation and utilization of these programs.

The California Department of Social Services issued All County Information Notice I-69-15 on August 14, 2015, instructing counties on how and when to submit data and information to the State regarding their use of Child Abuse Prevention, Intervention and Treatment (CAPIT), Community Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP), Promoting Safe and Stable Families (PSSF) and the County Children's Trust Fund (CCTF) allocations, and Child Abuse Prevention Councils (CAPCs) for State Fiscal Year 2014/2015 (July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015). The required report components along with the data detailing the number and composition of the population served will be submitted to the Office of Child Abuse Prevention (OCAP) on or before October 30, 2015, through the OCAP's Efforts-to-Outcomes (ETO) software system.



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CAPIT, PSSF, and CCTF funds are used to underwrite the costs for a wide variety of services to prevent and treat child abuse, and stabilize at-risk families in every region of San Bernardino County. About a third of PSSF and CAPIT combined funds are used for individuals, group and family therapy for those involved in the Child Welfare System and those with prior or potential involvement. (The County of San Bernardino does not receive CBCAP funding). Other services include parent education and support, anger management, sexual abuse services, domestic violence counseling (for victims and perpetrators), and post-adoption services. Specialized and supportive services are also provided, such as basic life skills/independent living programs. CAPIT funds also support the Kinship centers which provide support to relative caregivers.

Provision of services is done primarily through contracted non-profit community based organizations and Children and Family Services retains a portion of PSSF funds for Post-Adoption Services. County of San Bernardino's ETO software system and regularly monthly reports are used to collect the data for the CAPIT/CBCAP/PSSF/CCTF Annual Report. The data indicates over 7,400 individuals received services under these programs for the Fiscal Year, which is an approximate increase of 700 individuals compared to the prior year. The change in the model has resulted in an increase in spending direct services for clients. ETO data supports previous reports indicating services are being provided with an emphasis on serving racial and ethnic minorities.

The Annual Report is also the vehicle employed by the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) to capture updates and modifications to the OCAP portion of the integrated System Improvement Plan (SIP). The Annual Report (reporting period of July 2014 – June 2015) CAPIT, CBCAP and PSSF is attached.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Failure to adhere to reporting requirement may lead to the withholding of funds, or affect future allocations.